

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

April 9, 2003

The Honorable David Dreier
Chairman
House Rules Committee
H312 Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Dreier:

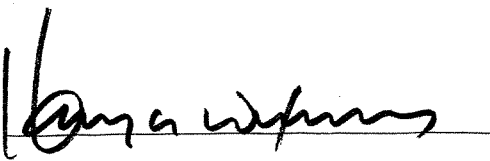
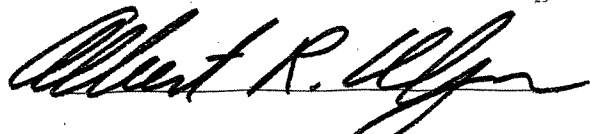
We are writing to request that the Rules Committee provide for consideration of the attached amendment which calls upon the Administration to reduce the nation's demand for oil by 600,000 barrels per day when the Energy Policy Act of 2003 is considered.

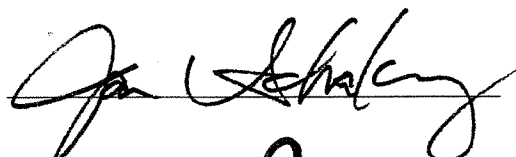

During the Energy and Commerce Committee's consideration of the Energy Policy Act of 2003, Rep. Waxman offered this amendment to require the Administration to take "voluntary, regulatory, and other actions" to reduce oil demand in the U.S. by 600,000 barrels per day from projected levels by 2010. This is the average amount of oil we have imported every day from Iraq over the past five years. It amounts to a reduction in oil demand of just 2.5% from projected future levels.

This amendment begins to ensure that American dollars aren't financing repressive, anti-democratic regimes in the Middle East. And by reducing our vulnerability to disruptions of oil supplies, it says to our young men and women that they will not have to risk their lives or livelihoods for oil.

Thank you for your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,



cc: The Honorable Martin Frost

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